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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

The Notice of Allowability mailed March 13, 2007 included a statement of reasons for allowance. The reasons for allowance cite particular claim elements from particular claims as not taught or suggested by the prior art of record. For example, the Examiner indicates that the prior art does not disclose a “junction between the other electrode of the first diode and the other electrode of the second diode is connected [to] a gate of the normally on type FET,” as recited by Claims 1, 16, 19 and 23. The language cited by the Examiner is recited by Claim 1. Claim 16 depends from Claim 14, which recites “a junction

between the other electrode of the first diode and the other electrode of the second diode is connected to the gates of the plurality of normally on type FETs." Claim 19 recites "a resistor connected between a junction between the other electrode of the first diode and the other electrode of the second diode and the gate of the normally on type FET" and Claim 23 recites "a resistor connected between a junction between the other electrode of the first diode and the other electrode of the second diode and the gates of the plurality of normally on type FET's." The Examiner's reasons for allowance for Claim 27 contain a number of typographical errors.

To the extent that the Examiner's reasons for allowance suggest or state that certain limitations or combinations are not found in the prior art and are present in each and every claim whether or not specific language to that effect is found in every claim, it is noted that "the record as a whole" must be considered as a supplement to the statement of reasons for allowance, and to the extent that the record is clear and complete, it shall control the interpretation of any and all claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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